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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

DATED OCTOBER 21, 2002

Honorable Commissioner For Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 15, line 1 to page 16, line 19, replace the paragraphs with the following:

FIG. 3 is a block diagram of a system in which the invention is practiced. The major components of the system include patient 12, programmer 20, and Information Network 63. Patient 12 may have multiple implants, for example, an implanted bradycardia type pacemaker 10 with and an implanted ICD 15 that has just been implanted. Confining our attention to ICD 15, we note that this device communicates through RF link 57 to the programmer, specifically to wireless interface 51. Data, such as factory-programmed parameters and so on, are forwarded to system controller 52. Under a physician's direction/prescription, these parameters may be altered and downloaded from system controller 52 to ICD 15 via RF wireless interface 51.

Continuing with FIG. 3 and more to the point of its relation to the present invention, we see that the same data as well as the device's model number, serial number, date of implant, and so on are conveyed to system interface 53. At this

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